Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 7, line 18 with the following

amended paragraph.

According to the invention, the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 codes for 337 amino

acids with a calculated molecular weight of 35.328. The embodiment polypeptide of the

invention is isolated form lily, which is a pathogen-induced glucanase. The N-terminal

sequence of the isolated glucanase protein contains amino acid residues of

MDGDNLPQPADVVNLY (SEQ ID NO: 3). Therefore, the new polypeptide of the

invention is named LPGlu1 (lily pathogen-induced glucanase 1).

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 13, line 26 with the following

amended paragraph.

The N-terminal sequence of this estimated 33-kDa protein showed a successive

16 amino acid residues of MDGDNLPQPADVVNLY (SEQ ID. NO: 3) and 6 ambiguous

non-contiguous amino acid residues. The successive 16 residues are 86-93%

homologous to that of β -1,3-glucanase protein from cotton and Arabidopsis. The 33-kDa

protein was named LPGlu1 (lily pathogen-induced glucanase 1).

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